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REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 6, 2014

TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN, RHODE ISLAND

The following items of business, having been filed with the Town Clerk under the Rules of the Council, will come before the Council at a regular meeting to be held on Monday, January 6, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. (5:30 PM - LEGISLATIVE AGENDA; 6:00 PM - JOINT MEETING WITH SCHOOL COMMITTEE) the Middletown Town Hall, 350 East Main Road, Middletown, Rhode Island. All items on this agenda, with the exception of the Public Forum Session, may be considered, discussed and voted upon.

Any person not a member of the Council, desiring to address the Council concerning a matter on the docket of the Council, not the subject of a Public Hearing, shall submit a written request to the Town Clerk stating the matter upon which he desires to speak. Persons are permitted to address the Council for a period not to exceed five (5) minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

RECONSIDERATION

The Middletown Town Council follows the codification of present-day

general parliamentary law as articulated in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised 10th edition (2000), together with whatever rules of order the Council has adopted for its own governance. The motion to reconsider is one of the motions that can bring a question again before an assembly, and is designed to bring back for further consideration a motion which has already been voted on:

If, in the same session that a motion has been voted on, but no later than the same day or the next day on which a business meeting is held, new information or a changed situation makes it appear that a different result might reflect the true will of the assembly, a member who voted with the prevailing side can, by moving to Reconsider [RONR (10th ed.), p. 304-321] the vote, propose that the question shall come before the assembly again as if it had not previously been considered. (From Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised In Brief, Robert, Evans et al., De Capo Press, 2004)

# **LEGISLATIVE AGENDA - 5:30 P.M.**

1. Town's legislative concerns to be addressed at the 2013-2014 session of the General Assembly – with the Town's General Assembly delegation. (Documentation to follow)

JOINT MEETING WITH SCHOOL COMMITTEE- 6:30 P.M.

- 2. Pursuant to "§ 16-2-21 Pre-budget consultation Annual reports Appropriation requests Budgets. (a) At least sixty (60) days but not more than ninety (90) days prior to the formal submission of the school budget to the appropriate city or town officials by the school committee, there shall be a joint pre-budget meeting between the school committee and the city or town council(s). At or before this meeting:"
- (1) "The highest elected official of the city or town shall submit to the school committee an estimate, prepared in a manner approved by the department of administration, of projected revenues for the next fiscal year. In the case of the property tax, the projections shall include only changes in the property tax base, not property tax rates;
- (2) "The school committee shall submit to the city or town council a statement for the next ensuing fiscal year of anticipated total expenditures, projected enrollments with resultant staff and facility requirements, and any necessary or mandated changes in school programs or operations".
- 3. Communication of Christopher T. Semonelli, President, Middletown Town Council, with enclosure, re: Information in accordance with RIGL 16-2-21. (Documentation to follow)
- 4. Receipt of Revenue Manual. (Documentation to follow)

5. Memorandum of Theresa Spengler, School Committee Chair, with enclosures, re: Pre-Budget Consultation FY 2014-2015.

#### PUBLIC FORUM SESSION

6. Pursuant to Rule 23 of the Rules of the Council, Citizens may address the town on one (1) subject only, said subject of substantive Town business, neither discussed during the regular meeting nor related to personnel or job performance. Citizens may speak for no longer than five (5) minutes and must submit a public participation form to the Council Clerk prior to the start of the meeting. All items discussed during this session will not be voted upon.

#### CONSENT

- 7. Approval of Minutes, re: Regular Meeting, December 2, 2013.
- 8. Memorandum of Town Administrator, with enclosure, re: Middletown Police Department Community Survey 2013.
- 9. Communication of James Winters, President, Newport County NAACP, re: Appreciation for support.

- 10. Petitions received from the following named persons for perpetual care of burial lots in the Middletown Cemetery:
- a. Burton D. Alpert and Barbara Olins Alpert Section 53, Lots 232, 233, 234 & 235
- b. Ronald W. Atkins and Linda S. Atkins Section 53, Lot 213
- c. Francis J. Cardoza and Beverly T. Cardoza Section 53, Lots 214 & 215
- d. Michael J. Fenton and Liana Ferreira Fenton Section 53, Lots 218 & 219
- e. David Lemler Section 50 West, Lots 1 & 2
- f. Anna Luna Section 49, Lot 54
- g. Doris Miller Section 53, Lots 228 & 229
- h. Edward J. Siegal and Michelle L. Siegal Section 53, Lots 216 & 217
- i. Arthur C. Stefanopoulos and Ronna Stefanopoulos Section 53, Lots 210, 211 & 212
- j. Megan Surber Section 53, Lots 226 & 227
- 11. Petition of National Grid Electric Company and Verizon for Green End Avenue Propose New JO pole location. (Recommendation of Roads/Utilities Committee/Public Works Director)
- 12. Application of James J. Gaston, Middletown for RENEWAL of a Private Detective License for the 2013-2014 licensing year.

13. Adoption of proposed budget schedule.

#### LICENSE

14. Application of Amir Wahab dba Kennedy Grill Food Mart, 390 West Main Road, for a Victualling House License for the 2013-2014 licensing year (NEW).

## **TOWN COUNCIL**

15. At the request of Council President Semonelli and Councillor Long, Resolution of the Council, re: Newport Pell Bridge safety improvements.

16. At the request of Councillor Santos, Communication, re: Middletown Historical Society Speaker Series for the year 2014.

# TOWN ADMINISTRATOR COMMUNICATIONS

17. Memorandum of Town Clerk, thru Town Administrator, with

enclosures, re: Land Evidence Archival Services.

- 18. Resolution of the Council, re: Award of contract for Land Evidence Archival Services.
- 19. Memorandum of DPW Director, thru Town Administrator, with enclosure, re: Catch Basin Cleaner.
- 20. Resolution of the Council, re: Purchase of Catch Basin Cleaner.
- 21. Memorandum of Finance Director, thru Town Administrator, with enclosures, re: Improvements to the Fire Department and Department of Public Works Facility.
- 22. Resolution of the Council, re: Authorizing the issuance of up to \$7.5M General Obligation Bonds for Improvements to the Fire Department and Department of Public Works Facility.
- 23. Memorandum of Town Administrator, re: Projects Esplanade. (Documentation to follow)

## **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS & COMMITTEES**

24. Appointment of Tree Warden for the 2014 calendar year.

- 25. Appointment of one (1) member to the Citizens Memorial Committee for an indefinite term.
- 26. Appointment of one (1) member to the Middletown Committee for the Arts for term expiring April 2014 or April 2016.

# Wendy J.W. Marshall, CMC

**Town Clerk** 

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ADDENDUM TO TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA

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## TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

27. Memorandum of Town Administrator, with enclosure, re: National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Grant. (Documentation to follow)

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